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NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY
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International Solar Alliance for Solar Energy Projects
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Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) the details regarding the decision of the Government to promote International Solar Alliance (ISA) for the solar energy projects in the country;
(b) the break-up of the share of the one hundred billion dollar proposed to be raised for developing solar energy across the world among the 121 countries in the ISA organization;
(c) the time schedule fixed for construction of secretariat for which foundation stone was laid recently in Gurgaon in Haryana;
(d) whether the Government proposes to organize any international conference of all the 121 countries. If so, the details thereof; and
(e) the details regarding the target fixed for electricity generation under the campaign for promoting non-conventional sources of energy?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR POWER, COAL & NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a): the Government has approved: a) launching of International Solar Alliance (ISA) on the side lines of the 21st Conference of Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), at Paris, France on 30 November 2015; b) establishment of ISA with headquarters in India; c) providing 5 acres of land for establishing ISA Secretariat and Campus at National Institute of Solar Energy (NISE), Gwal pahari, Gurgaon, on a lease basis at Rs 1/ year/acre & required rent free space in Surya Bhawan; d) providing a support of Rs. 175 crore to ISA for creating corpus, building infrastructure and recurring expenditure over 5 year duration from 2016-17 to 2020-21.
(b): 1000 billion US Dollars is the total investment required in the sector and will have to flow from various sources. The Paris declaration on ISA announced during the ISA launch on 30 November 2015 inter-alia states that the countries share the collective ambition to undertake financial instruments to mobilize more than 1000 Billion US Dollars of investments needed by 2030 for the massive deployment of affordable solar energy.
(c): The Interim Secretariat of ISA has been inaugurated on 25 January 2016 and ISA Headquarters building is likely to be completed by the year 2020-21.
(d): There is no proposal as of now
(e): ISA has so far not fixed any target.